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UTILIZATION OF CATERED MEALS (J4)

1. Army Bulletin No. 25, dated 9 Apr 03, SAB, is rescinded.
2. PURPOSE: This bulletin establishes the basic criteria for requesting commercially prepared (catered) meals.
3. REFERENCES:
 - a. Army Regulation 30-22, dated 30 Aug 02.
 - b. Federal Acquisition Regulation, part 13.106-1, dated 1 Jan 02.
 - c. Army Bulletin No. 2, dated 15 Jan 04, SUBJECT: Class I – Subsistence.
4. In accordance with, AR 30-22, paragraph 3-41.a, commercially prepared (catered) meals are authorized only when food service personnel or equipment are not authorized or available and support cannot be obtained from another RC or Active Army unit with food service capability.
5. All units with organic mess equipment and assigned mess personnel will draw and prepare TISA meals (Class A Rations) for all units conducting either home station training or tactical training at various field training locations. Meals Ready to Eat (MREs) will only be utilized when absolutely necessary to support the conduct of tactical training and or actual operations.
6. The POC for additional information is CW2 John Garrison, J4-FST, (609) 562-0281.

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